

# Cubbies

(3 years – Preschool)

## What happens at Cubbies?

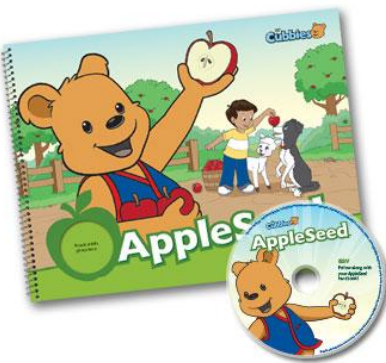
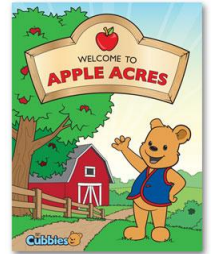
AWANA Cubbies is a two-year weekly club program for preschoolers in the years prior to kindergarten. Our purpose is to help your children take their first steps on a lifelong spiritual journey. In the Bible, parents are instructed to teach their children about God's ways...in routine activities...passing along their faith, little by little, day by day. The Cubbies program is designed to help leaders and parents in this critical role.

The teaching begins at home. Each week, the parents help their Cubbie complete the scheduled Memory Seed. Each aspect of the Memory Seed reinforces the same Bible truth. At club, we will center everything we do in the same truth that you have worked on at home. Our story, games, and activities, will reinforce the teaching your child has received from you. By creating this partnership, we hope to really "cement" that week's truth into our Cubbies' minds!

We will provide your child with a tote bag to be taken home and returned each week and a name tag that should be left in the Cubbies room. Please treat your child's tote bag with care as we ask that they be returned at the end of the club year to be passed on to another child next year.

## Introduction/Apple Acres entrance booklet

The *Apple Acres* entrance booklet is the first and only (introduction) booklet received in Cubbies. Upon completion of this Entrance Booklet the clubber receives his or her vest.



## Handbooks/Reviews

### Cubbies Handbook – Apples and Honeycomb:

Includes memory verses and activities divided into weekly Memory Seeds that teach basic truths about God. Cubbies complete each week's Memory Seed at home as background for the teaching at club the next week. Then they repeat the memory verse to their leader at club. Completing every Memory Seed in the book is a requirement for earning a Cubbie book award at the end of the year. Each Memory Seed also contains an Under the Apple Tree supplemental section and review. Under the Apple Tree fun activities and reviews are optional, and not required for book completion.

## Memory Work Order

**Learning Level A** - Complete one Memory Seed each week. All children work on the same Memory Seed at the same time. If your child has missed a week of club, be sure to check the schedule for the current week's Memory Seed. Please do not do any future Memory Seeds. Parents choose the short or long version of the verse. If your child learns the long version, they must also say the reference. Please make a note in your child's book which version he or she learned.

**Learning Level B** – Under the Apple Tree. Extra activity to be done with your child (not required) to reinforce the lesson. Sign after you complete the activity with your child and your child will receive a yellow apple sticker in his or her book.

**Learning Level C** - Review may be done after the current Memory Seed and any missed Memory Seeds are completed. When you complete an activity, sign it and have your child recite any verses to the leader at club. Your child will animal stickers for his book.

## Requirements for memory work

- Cubbies are allowed two “helps” per Memory Seed.
- Memory Seeds must be recited in one session. If there are two verses in the Memory Seed, both must be recited at one session and in the order they appear.
- Four-year-olds must recite the verses AND the reference. Three-year-olds are encouraged to recite the reference, if they are capable, but are not required.
- Cubbie clubbers will recite the verses they have learned at home to their Cubbies leader during club.

## Tips on How Parents Can Help

- Help your child learn each weekly Memory Seed.
- Establish a regular time to work on the Memory Seed with your child.
- Check the schedule and calendar for which Memory Seed to work on.
- Read each week’s Memory Seed to your child and follow the simple instructions.
- Listen to your child recite the verse and sign your name. Be encouraging!
- Only one Memory Seed will be done per week. The Cubbies will all recite the same Memory Seed each week.
- Be sure your child wears the uniform vest to club. The uniform is where their awards are displayed plus helping with motivating them to learn and work in their books.
- Bring your child to club on time, so we can begin and end promptly. Be sure to come to the Cubbies Check-in table to pick up your child after club.



## Items Available to Purchase (not required)

CUBBIES HANDBOOK MUSIC: Kids can have a blast while memorizing Scripture. Includes all the verses in the handbooks, set to music, and the Cubbies Theme Song.

## Awards

When a clubber has completed the requirements to earn an award, the award will be placed in the pocket on his/her vest.

### What are the awards for Cubbies?

(Awards are pictured in the back of Celebrations handbooks.)

Achievement patches

Completion of the Red or Green Units in a handbook.

Appleseed Book Award

Completion of Appleseed handbook (given at Awards Night)

Honeycomb Book Award

Completion of Honeycomb handbook (given at Awards Night)

## CUBBIES SCHEDULE

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to have their child checked-in to club 5 to 10 minutes before the beginning of club at 6:30 p.m. in the Cubbies room. Please do not drop off your child before 6:20 p.m. ONLY authorized Parents/Guardians may pick up clubbers and should do so by 5 min. after dismissal, 8:00 p.m. Cubbies children should be picked up at the Cubbies room.

Each club night consists of *Game Time, Story and Song Time, Handbook Time, Snack Time, and Craft Time.*